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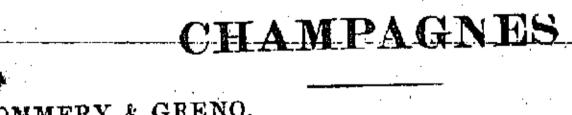
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HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DESVŒUX ROAD CI. LONDON OFFICE: 181, FLEET STREET, E.C.

Hongkong, 4th January, 1904 WE publish to-day in our correspondence columns a protest forwarded to us from Canton by the Missionary Conference, in which the signatories express their "unfeigned regret and deep disapproval" of the recent opening of the Canton-Fatshan branch railway line on a Sunday. We gladly accede to the request of the Conference to publish the protest, but at the same time we cannot refrain from saying that the objection seems to us a little unreasonable. Canton-Hankow Railway is a Christian enterprise. As a matter of fact; we know of no railway that is. Religion and railways are not even remotely connected. The undertake to say whether they even wish to), | established in Canada 52 years ago. but to make money. They and their agents do not deserve unfriendly criticism for selecing a day most convenient for them, and more particularly for their guests. The only . the people of Canton; the European re- enormous advantage in her numerous and wellsidents, that is to say. But did it hurt equipped dockyards, them? Apparently a certain number of business to be offended in this matter, did Canton who thought it a matter for regret or disapproval that the line to Fatshan should be opened on a Sunday. for the natives, it naturally makes no League.

difference to them on what day, not) a festival day, a foreign enterprise The Missionary Con-Lis inaugurated. ference speaks, in the protest, of a belittling of the teachings of Christianity in the minds of the Chinese. If the Chinese took the trouble to study the "Sabbath" keeping of the foreigners who come out to this part of the world, they would certainly come to the conclusion that railway-opening is a

yery venial offence compared with the mass of breaches of the day made by their Christian stragglers fled to catch the ferry for Kowloon. visitors. The "Sabbath," as a Sabbath, does not exist in the foreign settlements of China. It is true that most people do not go to their offices on that day. They may go out and kill birds, may golf or yacht, or walk, may play bridge, or may "lie off," as the expression runs; but what percentage of them reflects on the question of Sabbath or no Sabbath? Such non-observance of the day should really give far more pain to these excellent missionaries than the formal opening of a railway. No doubt the fact of its being a public ceremony directs their disapproval publicly to it. But, as we have \ said, a railway is not Christian. Sunday was chos in as being the only day on which appearance. The presence of representa- two million taels. tives of the British and United States Governments is especially regretted by the Conference. These "ignored the established practice and Christian sentiment of their home lands, and by their attendance at this function violated the sanctity of the Sabbath in a way which would not have been permitted in our home lands." The latter part of the state cent may be challenged. Sumlay banquets and formal excursions are certainly not unknown in England and view of the Far Eastern situation -speaking America. We do not know that a railway has even been declared open in either | country on a Sunday; it certainly is not | impossible. The absence of British and

H.M.S. Argonaut, homeward bound from this station, has arrived home.

United States representatives would have

been merely foolish and would in no way

have advanced the Christian sentiment o

the home lands of H.E. Mr. May or Mr.

McWADE. We fear that the Missionary

Conference is only beating the air in attack-

railway on a Sunday. For instance, it might

be looked on, in one aspect, as the question

whether either the British or United States

Government is Christian in the true sense.

of the word. Into this we do not propose.

Our readers are reminded the "Week of Prayer" commences in the City Hall this evening at 5.15 o'clock.

We hear that a dance took place on the right of the 31st ult, in connection with the Hongkong and Whampon Dock Co.

The London Chamber of Commerce has started classes in Chinese, under Mr. R. W. Hurst, B.A., ex-British Consul in China.

At the recent Examination of Army Officers in Foreign Languages, Capt. D. S. Robertson, Royal Scots Fusiliers, passed in Japanese.

A long preliminary "report on a cattle disease in the Colony of Hongkong," signed by Drs. W. Hunter and A. Gibson, is published in the Gazette.

after Sir Henry Blake, are being sent in by local Chinese gentry. The appointment of Mr. Walter Egerton, C.M.G., to be High Commissioner for the

Protectorate of Southern Nigeria is notified in

Subscriptions in connection with the new

scholarship for Queen's College, to be named

the London Gazette. On News Year's Day there was a special thankegiving service at the R.C. Cathedral. In the first place, we are not aware that the The Rev. Father Gomez of Macao preached an eloquent sermon, and the Right Rev. Bishop battleships and two armoured cruisers, as com-Piazzoli officiated,

Messrs. Wm. Meyerink & Co. have sent us a neat calendar for 1904 issued by the Western organisers of this new railway are not build- Assurance Company, for which they are the ing it to further Christianity (we could not local representatives. The "Western" was

Sir William White, comparing the Japanese and Russian fleets, says that in case of wor one difficulty Russia would have is that her resources would be utterly insufficient for real objection that could be urged would be making good the serious damages that would be that their action burt the susceptibilities of | inflicted in a single action, while Japan has an

missionaries were offended. One might be that two performances of a short Children's superiority of speed and homogeneous fleet the tempted cynically to say that it is their | Cantata under the patronage of His Excellency | Japanese in action ought to be able to | Mission; Minta Swan, Am. Pres. Mission; N. Mr. F. H. May and Mrs. May, will be held at concentrate their forces on a portion of the one not believe in the sincerity of their pro- Kowloon School, the first on the 8th inst. at 6 Russian fleet, and, with the well-known test. We have heard of no one else in p.m. and the second on the 9th inst, at 3.30 p.m. intrepidity of the Japanese officers, they might Tickets of admission may be procured at the well hazard some of their torpeds craft. Even door, or by previous application to the Kowloon | with the reinforcements for the Russian fleet, School authorities. The proceeds will be given and having regard to the Japanese personnel, As to the furths of the Ministering Children's it is the opinion of the writer that a naval action

The row of trees recently planted by the B. & A. department, between Queen's and Prince's Buildings, greatly adds to the beauty of what is to be an off-shoot of the prettiest site in Hongkong-Queen's statue vicinity.

Another, the fourth, very successful dance was given on Saturday night by the Masonio. Quadrille Club, in the Musonic Hall. As usual everything possible was done to provide an enjoyable evening, and the committee once again scored a success, dancing being kept up with great spirit until I a.m., when the last the spring of this year.

According to the London Daily Chronicle, the 10 in, guns of H.M S. Centurion were carefully examined on route to Malta, when it was found that the sights and elevating gear were hopelessly wrong, which means that if the ship goes into action the main armament will be practically of no use. The records show that Captain stott, of the Excellent, pronounced the vessel as unfit to leave Portsmouth!

As our Shanghai corre pendent announced by telegram last week, Chang Yen-mao, formerly Chief Director of the Kaiping mines and an ex. Director of the North China Railway, has been cashiered. It appears that he denounced to the Throne by Vicercy Yua Shi-kai owing to the discovery of certain irregularities with regard to the mines, out some of the invited guests could put in an | which he is alleged to have pocketed no less than

> It is reported that at the conference recently held at Singapore of the Commanders in Chief of the Australian, China, and East India Naval stations, the admirals arrived at the conclusion that, apart from certain modifications and adjustments which were specified in a memoriandum subsequently sout home for the information of His Majesty's Government, there was no necessity for reinforcements or rearrangements. It is haderstood that the admirals personally took a somewhat optimistic before the event.

the boilers having to be renewed, it is the contaken place in them, and in consequence of which the tubes of the boilers were "salted-up" ing this question. The signatories have a to such an extent that they had to be thoroughly right to their honest convictions. But the cleaned while the condensers were being reproblem which really confronts them is larger than one of formal opening of a tubed.

> The L. and C. Express of the 4th ult. says:-The mystery of the Chilean battleships Libertad and Constitucion, for which both Russia and Japan were said to be would-be purchasers, has now been cleared up. The vessels have been bought by the British Admiralty, as announced in the following official statement which was issued last night: -" The Admiralty have purchased the two battleships complete which were under construction at Elswick and Barrow for the Chilean Government for £1,875,000, inclusive of all expenses. In February last it was stated in the House of Commons that the Admiralty were not prepared to purchase these ships for £2:200,000, but the reduction in price at which they have now been secured seemed to the Admiralty to offer an opportunity for an advantageous bargain for the country."

The Ostasiatische Lloyd publishes the following telegram dated Berlin, 24th December :-The Kölnische Zeitung receives a report from S. Petersburg according to which Grand-Dake Alexander Michaelevich was acting together with other most influential persons against the belittle the tenchings of Christianity in the outbreak of war, at least for a postponement of the conflict. They hope to achieve this, between others, by a transfer of the negotiations from Tokyo to S. Petersburg. The Frankfürter Zeitung learns from Loudon that Russia is making concessions to Japan with regard to for the success of this and all kindred outer-Corea for the sole purpose of gaining time for prises which tend to the bringing in of further armaments. But Japan was demanding territorial guarantees in Corea to be safeguarded against any future attack of Russia. The pessimism of the English and French Press about the Far East question is not shared by the respective governments.

"C. B." writing in the Daily Graphic last Tsurevitch and the armoured cruiser Bayan, the Russian force in the Far East will be eight pared with six battleships and six armoured i ornisers for Japan, and five battleships (including the Centurion) and two armoured cruisers stronger than the Russian in unarmoured cruisers, even if we allow for the three Russian cruisers of this type now on their way out, the proportion being 17 to 10. The larger types of torpedo craft are fairly evenly balanced, but in torpedo-boats Japan possesses from four to five times as many as Russia. The armoured ressels of Russia in a long-distance action could bring into play twenty 12-inch guns, twelve 10-inch, and six 8-inch guns, guns of 6-inch, 59-inch, 4.7-inch, and 4-inch calibre on board the Russian ships. This comparison does not We have been asked to inform our readers include any unarmoured ships. With this would resurt favourably to Japan.

The following paragraph in the Times of the

28th November looks curious :--"THE TIMES" COMPETITION. The names of the 93 successful competitors will be announced in The Times of Tuesday,

December 1. The Russian battleship Imperator Alexander III. finished her trials at Kronstadt on the 22nd November, but owing to the unfinished state of

the work on board of her it has been decided to postpone her departure for the Far East until According to a home paper, the construction

of tunnels along the Trans-Baikal Railway is causing the authorities a great deal of trouble. It is now reported that the electrical machines supplied by foreign firms have proved to be unable to carry out the work. Thus, the constructors of the line have been compelled to entrust the work to hand labour by Italian workmen. The Ussuri Railway has just been brought into direct communication with the general railway system of the Russian Empire.

In a lecture last mouth Captain Ballard, of the Intelligence Department, delivered before the Aldershot Military Society, on "Naval and Military Co-operation in War," he drew largely on the wars between China and Japan in 1894, Virginia, for Japan. and between the United States and Spain in 1898. The Japanese, Captain Ballard said, left it to their military experts to say what could and should be done on land, and to estimate the forces required, the routes to be followed, and the risks to be encountered there. Similarly they accepted the verdict of the naval authorities on all points which had to be settled | docked. on the water, including the means of dealing with a hostile fleet, the decision as to when the favourable moments for embarking the land forces had arrived, and the risks to be expected, both by their own troops in trunsit on the water and by the mother country, on the question of invasion, which was a matter entailing the constituted a valuable guarantee for the peace of transit of enemy's troops. They also realised the world. that the success of closely concerted action is dependent upon singleness of purpose with regard to the principal objective and a leyal It has been reported that the boilers understanding between the naval and military were at fault, but the condensers, and instead of other to know their own business in their death. own element, they mutually strangthen their than when they are divided."

CORRESPONDENCE

THE SABBATH IN CHINA.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Canton, 31st December.

SIR.-I am instructed by the Canton Missionary Conference to forward to you the enclosed copy of protest re Sabbath opening of Cantou-Futshan Railway, with the request that you will kindly publish the same.-Yours

> GEO. H. McNEUR. Hon. Sec , Canton Missionary Conference.

[ENCLOSUBE.] We, the undersigned missionaries and other representatives of the foreign community at Canton, desire to express our nufeigned regret and deep disapproval of the action of the Canton-Hankow Raliway in fixing on the Lord's Day for the formal opening of the Canton-Fatshan Branch. We also regret that the representatives of the British and United States Governments should be a ignored the established practice and Christian sentiment of their home lands, and by their attendance at this function have violated the sencity of the Sabbath in a way which would not have been permitted in our home lands, and in a way calculated to minds of the Chinese. While expressing our emphatic disapproval of such a flagrant abuse of one of the best blessings and highest privileges of our Christian pations, we wish it to be distinctly understood that we hail with joy the advent of the railway and all such advantages and advances in China's civilisation, and pray brigh er, better inture for the people of this

(Sd.) Henry V. Noves, Am. Pres. Mission

A. A. Noyes, Am. Pres. Mission; R. V. N. yes. Am. Pres. Mission; W. D. Noyes, Am. Pres. Mission: A. A. Fulton, Am. Pres. Mission; F. W. Fulton, Am. Pres. Mission; H. Law. Am. Prev. Mission; Mattie Chambers, Am. Bap. Mission; G. W. Greene, Am. Bap. Mission; V. P. Greene, Am. Bap. Mission; C. Dixon month says, with the arrival of the buttleship | Cousins, London Mission; W. W. Clayson, London Mission; E. L. Clayson, London Mission; A. Nelson, Am. Bd Mission; H. C. T. Burkwall, Brit. & For. Bible Soc.; Flora Burkwall, A. G. Fisher, Am. Pres. Mission; A. W. Fisher, Am. Pres. Mission; Lucy Durham, Am. Pres. Mission; E. M. Bulter, Am. Pres. Mission; Mary W. Niles, Am. Pres. Mission J. M. Wright, Ref. Pres. Mission; R. E. for England. The Japanese fleet is very much | Chambers, Am. Bap. Mission; E. Z. Simmons, Am. Bap. Mission; M. D. Simmons, Am. Bap. Mission; J. E. Trainham, Am. Bap. Mission H. Kirkhope, Prof. Kadjoorie School; T. J. Bostick, Am. Bap. Mission; E. I. Doty, U. Breth, Mission; Nellie L. Read; Am. Pras. Mission; E. M. Burlingame, Am. Pres. Mission; Mrs. H. K. Shumaker, U. Breth, Mission; Carrie E. Bostick, Am. Bap. Mission; E. A. Churchill, Am. Pres. M. ssion; Anna E. Nelson, Scand. Pree Mission; Rankin Leslie, Sun Life Ins. Co. of Canada; Bessie Powell, London Mission; F. Larson, Scand. Free Mission; Annie M. Wood, Wesleyan Mission; Florence Britton, Wesleyan Mission; Holmes Keall, Wesleyan Mission; P. G. Todd, Am. Pres. Mission; Chas. E. Patton, Am. Pres. Mission; Regina M. Bigler, U. Breth. Mission; Andrew Beattie, Am. Pres. Mission; John M. Swan, Am. Pres. Am. Pres. Mission; Elizabeth A. Doty, U. Broth. Mission; Anna W. Eriesson, Scand, Free Mission: Nellie Clark, London Mission; E. C. Tope, Wesleyan Mission: Chas. C. Selden, Supt. Refuge for Insane; Gertrude T. Selden; Wm. Mawson, New Zealand Pres. Mis.; S. M. Mawson, New Zealand Pres. Mis.; Maggie McNeur, New Zealand Pres. Mis.; Geo. H. McNeur, New Zealand Pres. Mis.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT:

THE SECOND TEST MATCH

LONDON, 1st January.

FIRST DAY'S PLAY. On the opening day of the second Test Match, which began at Melbourne to-day, the English team made 221 runs for the

REUTER'S SERVICE.

less of two wickets.

JAPAN AND RUSSIA.

LONDON, 30th December. Russia and Japan are buying quantities of beef in Chicago. 100,000 barrels of flour have been sold at S. Paul's for export to Japan, and 11,500 tons of coal is loading at Norfolk, they have short shrift with verowd. The

The Daily Telegraph's Tokyo correspondent wires that emergency measures include the raising of a temp many losa repayable in two years. Japan was the purchaser of the armoured cruisers Moreno and Riveduvia.

Five Russian torpedo vessels from Tunis have arrived at Matta, where they have been

FRANCE AND RUSSIA.

LONDON, 30th December. The new Russian Ambassador has presented his credentials to 1 resident Loubst; speeches were exchanged emphusising the alliance, which

DISASTER IN A THEATRE.

London, 31st December. During a matine, performance yesterday of of the Russian battleship Pobledu had commanders. So "the result was a campaign the Drury Lane" protomine Blue Beard (9) completely broken down, while the ship carried through with a minimum of mis- in Chicago) the audience panicked and rush ed was on her way to the Far East. It now takes, and from this example it is apparent the exits, fighting desperately in corridors, turns out that it was not the boilers at all which | that when the Services rely upon each | where hundreds were burned and crushed to

The loss of life is estimated at from 400 to denser tubes which have had to be replaced in position, for the Government is more likely to 600. The occupants of the gallery were caught consequence of the serious corresion which has rely upon both when they are united in opinion in a trap, and many were burned alive or suffocated; some leaped, frenzied, into the stalls below, where the flames swallowed them; many bodies were wedged upright between the seats. The greatest mortality occurred at the foot of the gallery stairs, where the bodies were piled twelve deep. Many of the victims were young women and children.

LATER. The final computation of loss of life at the recent fire at the Iroquois Theatre, Chicago, is 564 dead, 157 injured, one-third fatally, and many missing. The audience was 1,300. The asbestos curtain, which was lowered on the outbreak of the fire, stuck half-way, forming a flue through which the flames poured all over the house in ten minutes.

THE ARGENTINE CRUISERS.

London, 1st January. Japan has ordered the most rapid completion of the armoured cruisers Moreno and Rivedavia, and it is hoped that they will be really by the end of January.

MRS. MAY AT HOME.

We are requested to announce that Mrs. Maywill be "at home" at Government House on the first and third Thursdays of every month.

FOOTBALL,

H.K.F.C. v. H.M.S. "ALBION." These teams met at Happy Valley on Saturday under Rugby rules, and a good game resulted in a win for the Club by 1 goal 3 tries (14 points) to 1 goal (4 points). The match was witnessed by a large crowd of spectators. Teams were as follows :- Hongkong : Arthur, back; Richardson, Pearce, Barnes, and Robertson, three-quarters; Fletcher and Jordan, halves; Chard, Sandford, Boyd, Hallifax, Macconald, Newman, Rowley, and Strover, forwards. H.M.S Albion : - H. L. Boyle, back; Royle, "What for Mr. Beaumont, "Leave Hargreaves, Danby, and Carne, three-quarters; Blackwood and McLeod, halves; Hughes, Reeves, Boxer, Halalian, Layard, Warren, Carter,

NEW EDUCATIONAL CLASSES

and Jones, forwards.

FOR HONGKONG. The need for technical education facilities in Hongkong will be largely met by the classes in practical mathematics and mechanics to be commenced to day at the Institution of Engineers under the direction of Mr. W. H. Williams. Intending students can consult Mr. Williams. at the Institution to-night or to-morrow night. Syllabuses may be obtained on application. These classes are arranged to meet the wants of a large number of engineering and other students in the Colony. The work will cover the mechanical principles and mathematical methods needed to work out the problems which naturally come in the work of electrical, civil and mechanical engineering trades. Particular attention is directed to the two classes on Practical Mathematics as being most suitable to those who have not the time to spare to go through a regular Mathematical course of rapid methods of arithmetical work so important in connection with all kinds of engineering design. The advanced course will lead up to and include the simple. will lead up to and include the simpler | was Se Angus McSwayed, who had some parts of the Differential and Integral Calculus. Police stering the room be got a hearty recept wishes of those present. For the benefit of those who require only a certain section of mathematics, or who desire preparation for any particular examination, sectional classes will be formed.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDIT.]

Canton, 31st Dember.

Canton has been going throug another epidemie of fires. Last week a togistrate named thong, on returning to his mo in the city, found only a heap of ashes were a large mansion had been. Seven lives are lost in this fire, a rather unusual event. . the Namkuan at about the same time the was a fire noar the Weslevan mission, but lives were lost. More important than eithef these was the outbrook at Messra Watson &o.'s store in Sha Kee, which occurred on Tudy night at 8 o'clock. It has since transpired at the store was set fire to, as fire brokent in two places, which were connectedly a train of kerosene. The fire was so got under with the aid of the Shameefir brigade; but it was found that a good I of damage had been done. The suspec parties, employees of the firm, have be handed over to the charge of the Nam' magistrate. It may not be generally ken that when thieves or house-breakers are cut red-handed, Kaifong, or headman of thetroet, and his colleagues often take the laute their own hands, and the offender is ier strung up to the nearest lump-post or swied by the infuriated populace. This tht have been the fate of the criminals oluesday night, 'had they not made themse scarce, but lynch-law prevails more poularly in the country districts, the towns ig well provided with police.

TROUBLES IN RUGSI. News of a serious defensioned by the

Imperial troops in Kwa bas just come down. It is reported that men have been killed and \$20,000 tak: presumably an ambusende. The authori in Kwangsi are beseeching the Viceroy (dum, so it would seem that affairs are not gowell in the western province. Shum cannot a Canton for some time yet, but when he dit may be heped that a final effort will bade to crush the

From Shuntak news es of the looting of a German mission el, but I have as yet no details.

POLICE SMOKE CONCERT. On New Year's Eve oking concert was held at Tsimshatsui Staunder the auspices of the Hongkoog Po Captain F. W. Lyous had granted fact to the men in the matter of leave, and comently they were able to attend in conside numbers. Many guests were also presentor the occasion the station and grounds weautifully decorated The room in which throort was held wee hung with fligs, on of which appeared hand-painted sketches work of some of the Tsimshatsui men. : the stage was a pictorial representati! the Hongkong flag, bearing the motto, " 588 to our Captain and his lady." This wainted by Inspector Langley. Mr. E. lallifax occupied the chair during the firt of the programme Before leaving he toe opportunity of wish. ing the company ay New Year, and his good wishes were raied to by the singing of " He's a jolly golow." During the later part of the evenine chair was taken by Chief inspector B There was no lack of talent; indeed sonthe best entertainers in the Colony gaveir services. Among those who su p the chairman were Inspectors Kerr, Langley, Withers, Acting Inspector Cameresses, J. J. Spooner, and McGregor. Mr can acted as accompanist and gave every setion. It would be invidious to pick obspecial ramark any one . . of the singers: tere all good and encores were frequent. programme was sustained by Mr. Stevens What an awful draught;" Mr. Jack, "Wem with you," "Rose of Persia" and "lest wife; " Mr. Varney "The lost ba man;" Mr. Mitchell, "Lend me you wand" and "Come to my heart again; " lockree, "The lighthouse keeper;" Mrkins, "Sunshine above," "Sons of theire," and "Mona." Mr. Clark, "The tord" and "The Bugler;" Mr. Rogers, ie society ontcast; " Mr. Burnett, " pointy idol;" Mr. Woode

a little bit 6" Mr. Burgess, "Oh, the business "anence reigned supreme;" Mr. Gibbert, " 215 one of the old songs, George;" Mkson, "What a good job I wasn't there Armitage, "I didn't like to;" and Msby "Won't you take me back to Dix the concert finished up a few minutes b twelve o'clock! Inspector Langley philip toast of the visitors (to which Milregor responded) and also the enter. An adjournment was then made refreshment room to await the incom the New Year. When the hour structe was the usual exchange of greetind the company joined in Singing Jiang Syne." Before departing by special for Hongkong the visitors drank the of Inspector Langley and the Tsimshadice for their kindness and hospitali spector Langley was president of the cee which was in charge of the entertair Sergeant C. F. Aris made a capital; and the members of committee

out of to attend the concert and make

his last three as a member of the H.K.

HINGKONG JOTTINGS.

The pristums ad New Year-holidays have passed in Honkong in the usual fashion. no tarting noveltes in the way of entertainments line introuced. Indeed such are not needed. The seaso is one of private tiffins and dinners, wersified with a few enjoyable dances and sonthporting events like the H.K.C. fixtures. & Polo iternational, etc. One thing that make said of this Christmas is that the been it that could be desired, both charing. If seems also to be healthy dugh, rom the little one hears of len that me-honoured (.nd once, we ; must supper, fumy) joke about Christmas fare seems thisear t glance off our robust forms like water a dek's back. The only man I) have hear combain was not a Hongkong resident, ita victor from another place. He said that wife went to so many dances in | one week at b, who did not dance, had to cultivate morporal thirst, the refreshment room being e oly refuge from the ball-room,

magistrates have come very near earning a dipair of white gloves. Long may such a lition of affairs last, but my experience of Oriental makes me just pessimist on uga fear it won't, though it won't be for lack of co effort in that direction.

At the verycessful Ball given by the Contipedes on Tuy last at the City Hail, the ravages of the tary spur were very apparent. The ladies des suffered greatly on this occasion, and tonsiderable extent at the previous Bachelorall also. It is very mortifying to the fair to see their new dresses, if only of a diaphas materia, torn to ribbons by the uncompising spur. Surely field officers entitled ear this mark of distinction could on such ofions take out the rowels and insert round den their place. This would be a concession tadies would greatly appreciate.

I am glad to rathe High Level Tramway Company have it ed my suggestion and put up notices in the minus at S. John's Place to the effect that ickets may be had on the Car." This in ation will, I hope, prove sufficient to relative anxiety of strangers intending tomal to trip to the Peak.

I wish the Goment would act as promptly in reference to suggestion re that most unsightly rubbilicap below S. Patrick's Hall. That seem be growing rather than diminishing. W not the material be usoful for reclamation place?

It is surprisithe number of travelled Chinese one mein Hongkong and the neighbourhood. I in the New Territory you will find themevery village. They are ocked upon as press by their countrymen. They will talk withiliarity of Sydney and Melbourne or the fes of the Pacific coast, as the case may lA curious thing about them is that they by of speaking English in the presence of own people, though if one meets them si they generally show a thorough knowledg that language. One very old man I recently had lived for twenty years in Nephand and had returned to his own country at the same number of years age. He hargotten bow to talk English connectedly was able to tell the English names of articles pointed out to

As is pretty well in, the Chinese revere nobody so much as man who shows by the length of his grey | that he is the grandfather of numbers ondchildren—the more, so much the bette uriously enough, the Chinese beggers turns to their advantage. A venerable-looking lan was holding forth in eloquent fashion, he of the bye-streets off Queen's Road ther night, to the effects that he had a grand ho had treated him ill. His plaint drewd him a small crowd of sympathising lists who lavished upon him a p'enitude of cald cents. Then two Europeans came all and joined in the throng. One of thepparently "smelt a rat," for he thrust foll his hand and got hold of the old mends beard, which came off, leaving the clean of a lasty coolie; then, followed a tugiho moustache with like results. The te who been duped laughed as loudly as tho laughed at them, a d the sham grandfalled up a side alley as fast as his legs coully him.

Standing on Blake the other day, I happened to over-hear ment of conversation between two skips ho had just landed from their respective band it struck me that the first speaker was lating a very good move. His contention that when a ressel carried only a mate a second mate the captain should take the vatch. He stated he invariably did it hidas it made things a bit easier for the math he said it ought to, and he hoped it sould, be the universal rule throughout the Maile Marine. The other speaker, while nairely disagreeing with No. 1, said he thou should be left to the skipper himself to de thought proper in the matter, and notice the innovation by any hard and fast rue doubt when only two mates are carried as bit hard for them, and, said No. 2, st cases when a skipper realised this, he voluntarily help them along. But twologs chatting on a pier won't work a rein. A "Skipper's Club" is the channel to for.

BANYAN.

•CRICKET.

H.K.C.C. U. THE NAVY. A match was played on the Cricket Ground;

on New Year's Day and the following day between the H.K.C.C. and a team drawn from the Navy. The Club team included six of the Interport team which had represented Hongkong v. Shanghai, and the other five wore all welltried players. The Naval side was drawn from eight ships, but was perhaps nardly so strong as some of the Naval teams which we have seen out here. R. Hancock, who captained the Club team, elected to but first, and sent in Serecube Smith and Maitland. Early in the day the wicket was bumpy, and the batsmen got hit about a lot by the bowlers After one wicket had gone down for 7 runs the Club did well, and thanks chiefly to Turner (who hit 15 fours) and Arthur the score was 253 when the seventh wicket fell. Chichester carried his but for 28, and the innings amounted to 295 in all. The Navy started off in moderate style, losing their first two wickets for 27. Watson and Williams more than doubled the score, and it was 62 when the Leviathan's commander was has been hory-asking at this season of cheer end of the first day's play the score was only 82 ended in another of the A.O.C.'s crushing Stephenson and E. Humphreys and goodwi Thore is one community from for seven wickets. On Saturday morning the which all almon from their avocation comes wicket kicked a lot, and the batsmen were as a very gr seprise—this more so when one repeatedly hit. Vivian and Harris nevertheless thinks of the ost opportunities! The com- did well, but the first innings closed for 122, munity refell to is the criminal class. The when the tiffin interval was taken. On resumabsence of day-breaking, except in the way | ing; the Navy followed on, but the performance | was no better than before. Cornabe and Magistracy been almost deserted, and the Williams did well, but the rest of the side could Turner make fittle of W. Dixon's bowling, and the Carr, c Lillywhite, b total of the second venture was only one more than that of the first. The Club accordingly Patten, at Skinner, wordby an innings and 50 runs. R. Haccock and W. Dixon both came off with excellent Forence, b Bradford bowling figures for the winners. H. Hancock Mundy, b Bradford aid well behind the stumps. Scores and Coleman, b Bradford

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R. Hancock..... 15 8 24 5 A.O.C. v. CRAIGENGOWER C.C. This League match was played on the lastnamed team's ground, and was of a very exciting nature, victory resting with the A.O.C. team by 16 runs. The scores were as follows:-

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Total 56 A.O.C. v. H.M.S. "VEN-BANCE." This friendly game on Friday afternoon

C. Rutter, not out J. C. Lillywhite, b Packer H. R. Skinser, not out...... 75 H MIS. " VENGRANCE." Second Innings. First Innings. Halligan, c Skinner, b 22 b Brndford

st Skinner, b Turner 14 b Bradford 11 Walker, b Bradford 0 b Turner Clift. h Bradford c Burgess, b Langley 14 10 not out b Langley Revell, b Bradford Extras Total 64 Total 49

TAIKOO SPORTS.

The 1904 Taikoo Sports, held at Quarry Bay on New Year's Day, were a success, being conducted with credit. The officers for the occasion were as follows :--

Presiden -Mr. D. R. Liw; Vice President-Mr. W. Murray Scott; Chairman-Mr. D. Templeton; Committee-Messrs. A. McKirdy, B. Galloway, R. Aitken, W. C. Macpherson, F. E. Shuster, R. H. Stephenson, J. Lochend, T. Grimshaw, J. D. Melvin, W. J. Hill, and T. Hoskius; Referee-Mr. A. Rodger; Judges-Messrs W. Farmer, J. Rodger, J. I. Andrew and R. Aitken; Timekeepers-Messrs, J. Blake and C. L sheril; Handicappers-Messra T. Meek, T. Grimshaw, J. Gloyn, F. W. White, and A. McKirdy; Stewards-Messrs. J. N. Harvie, D. Heskins, T. Grimshaw, T. Hoskins, W. Smith and A. Elly; Lap Scorers-Messrs. F. W. White and A. R. Blake; Starter-Mr. F. E. Shuster; Hon. Treasurer-Mr. J. D.

Melvin; Hon. Secretary, Mr. R. H. Stephenson. The picture que plittle Taikee football-field, encircled by a bicycle-track, looked at its very best :, on one side was a visitors' stand, brilliantly decorated with bunting; a ladies, refreshment room with garden was situated at the inner and of the ground; a gentlemen's stand, and stand for distribution of prizes on again easily won. Result the opposite side to the visitors' stand; committee's tent in the field, to the left of the 100 yards race track, extending from goal-post to goal-post; and the bright uniformed band of the 110th Mahratta Light Infantry on the other side. Weather was glorious; the attendance better than for many vears. Results : -100 YARDS FLAT RACE, handicap (confined).

let prize presented by Mr. W. Murray Scott. 2nd prize presented by Mr. W. Half-a dozen faced the starter -E. Humphreys, T. Mullau, C. C. Hickling, R. H. Stephenson,

W. Bassford, W. Livesey, and W. Wothers-The result was ;-R. H. Stephenson, 5 yards 1 W. Livesey, 8 yards... ... 2 Time-11 1/5 secs. Two MILES BICYCLE RACE. Open to all

non first prize winners. 1st prize presented by Mosses. McKirdy & Co. 2nd prize presented by Mr. J. N. Harvis. Seven faced the starter: R. C. Witchell (150 yards start) J. E. Sinclair (150 yds), W. Wotherspoon (15J), H. S. Holmes (175), Palmer (175), J. Forbes (200), and J. Remedies (200). J. Ferbes with good start was a dark horse, leading from beginning to end. In the first round, when passing the ladies' tea-garden, Sinclair's front tyre, which, apparently, had been over-pumped, went off with a bang, making a noise like a pistol shot. A cloud of dust rose; the rider and machine disappeared from view over the embankment. Sinciair, we are glad to say, is now fairly well, though he had a nasty injury necessitating two stitches at the back of his ear, and he was

otherwise hurt. The finish was :-J. Forbes 1 H. Palmer... 2 Time-4 min, 59 sec. QUARTER MILE FLAT RACE, HANDICAP. Open to China Sugar Refinery, Docks and V.R.C. 1st prize presented by Mr. Mok Koon Yuk; 2nd prize presented by Mr. T.

There were seven competitors: J. D. Kinnaird, T. C. P. arce, J. P. Jordan, S. M. Gidly, H. W. Sayers, A. Marti, and T. Mullan. A. Marti

J. P. Jordan T. C. Pearce Time 60% secs. Two Miles Bicycle Race. Open to all comers. 1st prize presented by Mr. D. R. Law; 2nd prize presented by Mr. Yuen Hop. A most exciting race; five, including three in the first class, faced the starter: A. McKirdy (scratch), L. J. Twomev (scratch). H. C Austen (scratch), R. C. Witchell (50 yds), and H. S. Holmes. Cries of "Go it, Austen," bespoke the popularity of that gentleman, but that coutleman was "not in it," so to speak. McKirdy, by the way, had, judging from

appearance, the best machine, but at the same time he fairly demonstrated that he was the best rider. Twomey proved a very good second. The finish:--A. McKirdy L. J. Twomey H. C. Austen Time, 4.554 secs.

220 YARDS FLAT RACE. Handicap (confined). 1st prize presented by Drs. Stedman, Rennie and Harston; 2nd prize presented by Mr. Ah Wing.

Four entered for this event :- E. Humphreys (8 yds.), if. H. Stephenson (12 yds.), W. Livesoy (15 yds), and T. Mullan (15 yds.).

R. B. Stephenson, T. Mullan Тіше, 27 2/5 веся. High Jump. Open to China Sugar Relinery. Docks and V.R.C. Prize presented by Mr. D. J. Witchell and T. C. Gray were the only

competitors. J. Witchell was the winner by

some inches :-

.... 1 J. Witchell Jump 4 ft. 7 m. MILE BIGICLE RACE (onfined). 1st prize presented by the Royal Exchange Assurance Corporation, 2nd prize presented by the

Cosmonolitun Dock Staff, Very good race, but McKirdy was reckoned the winner before pistol-fire; his handicap was too small. Altogether six started: A. Mc-Kirdy (scratch), H. Palmer (75 yds.), R. A.] Ferguson (100 yds.), T. Hoskins (125 yds.), T. Grimshaw (150 yds.), and W. C. Macpherson (175 yds.). Finish:-

A. McKirdy, Hoskirs, ... 3 Time, 2 min, 20% 8808. LONG JUMP (confined). Prize presented by Mr. H. T. Butterworth. There were only two competitors: R. H.

E. Humphreys MILES BICYCLE RACE (handicap). Open to all comers. 1st prize presented by Kowloon Dock Staff. 2nd prize presented by the London and Lancashire Fire Assurance Co. 3rd prize presented by the Miteui Bussan

Kaisha. Best race of the day, Six started : A Mc-Kirdy (scratch), H. C. Austen (scratch), J. L. Twomey (scratch), H. Palmer (175 yds.), W. Wotherspoon (175 yds.), and J. Forbes (200 yds.). Austen led for many laps before being overtaken by McKirdy and Twomay. After that, by a strong effort and a high course, he again overhauled the other two and took the lend. His glory was but short-lived, however, and he ugain fell to third place. Sti. 8 determined to succeed, he made another bold effort to regain his lead, but this time he accidentally fouled Twomey and was thrown, luckily without hurt. Some time before the finish the limit men were more than lapped. It was a tight flaish between McKirdy and

Twomev:--A. bicKirdy, L. J. Twomey, Time, 12min, 58 secs. HALF MILE FLAT RACE. Handicap. Open to China Sugar Refinery. Dacks and V.R.C.

let prize presented by the V.R.C. 2nd prize presented by Mr. Jack Ah Tai. There were ten starters, a larger number in any other event: J. Witchell (10 yds.), S. M. Gidley (15 yds.), T. E. Penroe H. W. Sayers (15 yds.), J. (15 yds.), S. Moore (15 yds.), Humphreys (18 yds.), A. Marti (20 yds.), J. J. Watson (25 yds.), and W. Livesey (45 yds.),

J. J. Watson (25 yards) J. Witchell (.0 yards) J. P. Jordan (15 yards) Time, 2min. 19 800. Two MILE BICYCLE RACE (confined). Open to gentlemen from 30 years of age and

upwards. 1st prize presented by the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha. 2nd prize presented by Mr. Mok Koon Yuk. Five entered: A. McKirdy (scratch); Hoskins (200 yds.), R. A. Ferguson (200), T.

The limit men were overhauled. McKirdy T. Hoskins 2 R. A. Ferguson

Time, 5 min. 101 secs. HURDLE RACE (100 yards). 1st prize presented by Mr. D. Macdonald. 2nd prize presented by Mr. W. H. Howard. Six started: A. A. Park (scratch), J. P. Jordan (3 yes.), H. W. Sayers (4 yds.) F. K. Tata (6 yds.), W. Bassford (2 yds.), and W. Andrews (10 yds.) Andrews led from first to

W. Andrews J. P. Jordan ... H. W. Sayers VETERANS' RACE. 1 mile bicycle. Handicap on merit Open to all comers over 40 years of age. Prize presented by Mr. J. Blake. There were four starters: W. G. Simpson A. Ferguson (scratch), Hoskins (scratch), T. Grimshaw (150 yds.) Simpson gave up shortly after the start. Grimshaw, the limit man, was overhanded by

the other two:-T. Hoskins, ser R. A. Ferguson, scr Time, 2 min. 451 sees. LADIES NOMINATION RACE. 1st prize prosented by the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha. 2nd prize presented by Mr. A. R. Fullerton.

Perhaps no event marred the pleasure of the day more than this one, McKirdy, the winner of three previous races, making an unsportsmanlike protest against Adams, the second, for not baving his rosette pinned on properly. The judges showed great wisdom in dealing with the matter: they withdraw the second prize for which McKirdy, who came in third, was disputing. Those who started were H. W. Sayers, A. McKirdy, W. Livesey, J. W. Adams, and R. E. Stephenson. The race was halfway round, get a rost te from the nominator and complete the lap. Result :-

comers. 1st prize presented by the Chiua on the run this week. Sugar Refinery Staff. 2nd prize presented by Messrs G. Fenwick and Co. 3rd prize presented by Mr. Ah Poi.

winning, as he thought, discovered the race was not finished. On a righteons protest being lodged the judges declared " No race.' VISITORS' RACE. One lap, confined to visitors only, non-racing costume Prize presented

by the Taikoo Club. Several visitors started. Herton, closely followed by a soldier, came first. The soldier tumbled as he passed the line:---E. R. Herton 1.

Time 321 secs CON-OLATION RACE. Prize presented by Mr. Ah Kam. This, the closing event, was a hundred yards race. Result:--T. E. Pearce

F. K. Tata 2 S. M. Gidley 3 Champion Cup (Confined.) Prize presented by Mr. J. H. Scott. Decided on points as follows: -3 points for every 1st place, 2 for every 2nd, 1 for every 3rd.

This was won by McKirdy. During the afternoon, by the way, two clowns] greatly delighted the children. There was a arrived at Yokohama on the 30th ult.

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while playing their instruments. Whether the big-drum or the double-bass won, it is hard to say. Visitors were well looked after. Prizes were presented, at the conclusion of races, by Mrs. A. R. Fulierton.

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WEATHER OUTSIDE.

N.E. monsoon continues. Fine weather to the north, east, and south; fresh to the west.

HONGKONG CHARTER CANCELLED. The Mandasan-maru recently loaded coal at Kuchinotsu, and was to have set out for Hongkong. Before the vessel left, however, a telegram was received from the owners, the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, stating that she had been chartered by the Government. She was ordered to go to Sasebo and there discharge the coal already taken on board. She is to load at Yokohama with Cardiff coal. The Atagosanmaru may also be likewise employed.

STEAMER FOUNDERED.

The N.Y.K. s.s. Shingawa-maru, which left Yokohama for Yokkaichia a fortnight ugo, met with a heavy storm and foundered off Mimayesaki in Gunba-ken. There was no loss of life from the accident, but the cargo, composed of 12,179 sacks of flour, 205 kegs of sugar; and 166 packages of sundry goods, went down with the hull. The company's steamers Tairen-maru from Kobe, and the Omi-maru Grimshaw (350), W. C. Macpherson (350), from Yokohama, were despatched to the scene.

STEAMER ON FIRE.

A fire broke out on board the Japanese steamer Kinai-maru, during a voyage from Shanghai te Kobe with a full cargo of raw cotton, and reduced about 700 bales of cotton to ashes. The vessel is at present being repaired at the Innoshima dockyard in the Inland Sea

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STRANDED AND REFLOATED. A few days ago, the N.Y.K. steamer Mutau. maru, on a voyage from Muroran to Awomori, missed her course and stranded off Awomori. She has been refleated.

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And that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the Court sitting at the Supreme Court House, Victoria is the said Colony on the 14th day of January, 1903, at 11 A.M. and any creditor or contributory of the said Company desirous to support or oppose the making of an order on the said Petition may appear at the time of hearing by himself or his Solicitor or his Counsel for the purpose and a copy of the Petition will be turnished to any creditor or contributory of the said Company requiring the same by the undersigned on the payment of the regulated charges for the same.

Dated the 23rd December, 1903. DEACON & HASTINGS, Solicitors for the Petitioner.

10, Queen's Road, Hongkong. Note:-Any person who intends to appear on the hearing of the said Petition must serve on or send by Post to the above-named Notice in writing of his intention so to do. The Notice must state the name and address of the person or if a firm the name and address of the firm and must be signed by the person or firm or his or their Solicitors (if any) and must be served or if posted must be sent by post in sufficient time to reach the above-named not later than Five o'clock in the afternoon of the 12 day of January, 1904.

NOTCES OF FIRMS NOTICE.

between myself and Mr. JOHN HASTINGS having been dissolved by effluxion of time, my business will in future be carried on under the Firm name of DEACON LOOKER and DEACON. VICTOR H. DEACON.

10. Queen's Road. Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. NOTICE. THE interest and responsibility of Mr.

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PUBLIC COMPANIES

HUMPHREYS' ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that in accordance with the Special Resolutions passed on 31st October, and confirmed on 18th November, 1903, they are entitled on application to an allotment of one share for every two old shares held by them. Forms of application will be sent to every shareholder.

The sum of \$2.50 per share will be payable. on application, on or before the 4th of January, 1904. Two months' notice of any calls will be

Shareholders desirons of paying on or before the 4th January, 1904, the whole amount payable in respect of their shares, can do so, and in such event will receive fully paid up scrip in exchange. The new issue will rank for Dividend pro rata from 1st January, 1904, according to the

amount paid on such shares on 4th January, The Register of Shares will be closed from 17th December, 1903, to 4th January, 1904, both days inclusive. JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,

General Managers. Hongkong, 1st December, 1903, THE CANTON-HONGKONG ICE AND COLD STORAGE CO., LD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the STATUTORY MEETING of the above Company will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICE of the Company, 31, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, on THUR DAY, the 7th

CHAN A TAK, Secretary. Hongkong, 19th December, 1903.

day of JANUARY, 1904, at 12 o'clock Noon.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

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BEKANNTMACHUNG. HE Bekanntmachungen aus dem diesseitigen Handelsregister, sowie andere HE Undersigned, having been appointed gesetzlich vorgeschriebene Veröffentlichungen AGENTS for the above Company, are werden im Jahre 1904 durch den "Ostasistis- Blagowestchensk Kiachta erfolgen.

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ARTHUR.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

17th December.

RUSSIAN PAPERS ON JAPAN. As I remarked in my last letter, the Russian papers are devoting a good deal of attention at present to Japan, not only political papers like Land and Estate Broker. the Rusky Viedomosti (which is now publishing a series of fine articles on Japan by the foremost of Russian journalists), but even comic and society papers. The well-edited Niva has, in one of its last issues, a short, moderate account of the present trouble with Japan, accompanied by good photographs of General Katsura, Minister President, and of General Kodama, "Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese army," these photographs being taken specially, it is stated, for the Niva.

The Sticknosu (Dragon-flag) devotes the front page of its issue for the 2nd November to t coloured picture of a cock wearing the cap of a Japanese soldier and labelled "Japan." Corea is represented as a hen sitting on an egg, but Russia does not seem to come into the picture. which seems to me to be rather pointless. The cock is represented as in the act of crowing, and below the picture is the motto Peremyena buse "there will be a change"), and a short poem on that motto, which runs as follows:-

People not seldom Are accustomed to say, When the cock crows . That a change there will be. The Japanese cock Now splits our tympana With its fearful outery About something or other. It, is dreadfully roused, And sings cut of tune, And all we can ask is, When will it stop ?

LEARNING RUSSIAN.

The foreign population of Port Arthur is avidently not neglecting its chances to learn Russian, as two advertisements in the Naci Krai of the 9th December would seem to indicate, Oacis from an American who wants a room in a Russian family, with the object presumably of practising his Russian; and the other is from an Englishman, whose wants and objects are the same. This is undoubtedly the best way to learn the language. You sometimes come across kind Russian friends who speak English to you all the time and who propose to exchange lessons, but, in spite of what one sacrifices by abandoning such friends, who are as a rule very, very disinferested, and who furnish one with a lot of valuable information, one should abandon them if one wants to make the greatest possible progress. One is likely. is by carrying out such a plan, to turn these friends into enemies and to lay oneself open to misconstruction, but if one has any strength of character at all, that will not deter one. The exchange of lesson system is not very good, as both parties are inclined to become terribly lazy and to delude themselves with the idea that 2ND and 3RDFLOORS, No. 35, Queen's they are making progress when, as a matter of fact, they are making no progress at all. one pays a good teacher he generally wants to get value for his money, and accordingly works. [74] Of course there are two sides to this question of language-learning, and I can well understand that Isome Russians-shop-assistants and other icoffensive persons—must suffer torments listening to foreigners murdering their beautiful language, and committing, with a smiling face, all kinds of grammatical atrocities. FORMION MERCHANTS IN SIBERIA AND

> MANCHURIA. of the Americans, one by one. The American Arthur. Trading Company has closed its branches here and in Visdivostock, and I suppose by and bye only one American firm will be left-indeed I am not sure but that only one is left now. Thus will be closed that chapter of Siberian history which tells of American enterprise exerted in the opening up of the country.

A very interesting volume could, by the way, be made out of the experiences of American merchants in Siberia from the days of the old Russian-American Company until the present time. During the first attack on Petropavlotsk 175 in 1854 by an Anglo-French squadron, two American residents of that town gave important information about the land approaches to Petropavlofsk to the English, who did not. however, profit much from it; and on the occasion of the second attack in the following year the allied fleet found that all the Russians had cleared out and that the American flag was the only one flying in the town.

In spite of the rapidity with which the Ameri cans here generally learn the Russian language and of all the talk about the "traditional friendship," it cannot be denied that the action of the two American residents of Petropavlofsk is typical of the feelings of Americans in the Eus sian Far East. They feel that they are in the same boat as the English, and that the Russians are rather afraid of their commercial ability, so that the eight of the Union Jack is almost as welcome to them therefore from a commercial point of view as that of Old Glory itself.

The principal American firms in the Russian Far East and Messrs. Clarkson & Co. and the American Trading Company. As I have just remarked, however, the American Trading

Company has closed its branches here. The English are not as a rule prominent in Siberian trade. By the way, the head of flourishing Danish company in Port Arthur bears the name of O'Reilly, which does not strike one as being Danish or Muscovite, although Gospodeen O'Reilly speaks both Danish and

is now in Japan, is shortly going to open at declining rates, down to \$2051 having been business here on his own account.

The Germans, I think, take the foremost place among the foreign residents both as linguists and in the extent of their commercial operations. The proximity of the German and Slavonic races in place and in blood and the well known enterprise of the Germans explain this; but, while Russia certainly gains by the exertions of these Germans, it is not quite certain that the Fatherland itself benefits, for Germans seem to become Russified in Russia almost as quickly as they are Anglicised in England. The firm of Messrs. Kunst and Albers, the great bankers and storekeepers of Eastern Siberia, whose schendid premises are among the most promiuent features of Vladivestock, Habarovsk, Port Arthur, and even Monkden, seem to be gradually becoming Russian, for one of their partners is a naturalised Russian and others connected with the firm seem, for business reasons (the right to buy land being one of them), to be gradually following the same path; while the number of German names one meets with here among patriotic Russians, some of whom do not speak a word of German is a proof that Germany is giving good men to Russia as well as to England and America. For you generally find these men with German names. at the top of the tree. At the head of the Navy you find Vice-Admirals Stark and Stackelberg; at the head of the Army Staff you find General Pflui. Germans seem to leaven the whole mass of the population in this part of the world, as is shown by the extent to which the German language is spoken. About 20 per cent, of the Russians seem to speak it more or less, and one is constantly finding it come in handy in the most unexpected quarters. I once had an interesting conversation, for instance, with a private soldier who, being a Lett, spoke German - bu a strange German it was-Monat (month) being pronounced as if written Monheil and various other old forms

On my way to Port Arthur from Corea some time ago, I met a German who belonged to the German colony on the Volga, which numbers nearly half a million people, and of which the members are descended from immigrants who went to that region in the eighteenth century in response to the invitation of the Empress Catherine. It seems that this colony was promised the perpetual right of self-government, complete religious liberty, and freedom from liability to military service, but that, of late years, these privileges have been one by one withdraws. The members of this colony are still, however, more German than Russian. remaining in language, in religion, in their domestic habits and social customs, the same as when they first came to Russia over a century ago. They still wear the old German costume. they are closely shaved, and in many respects form an indigestible morsel like the French settlers in Canada.

This is an exceptional case, however, for the Germans seem as a rule to adapt themselves quickly to Russian ways I am afraid, however, that until the process of adaptation is completed, they are cordially hated by the common people. A Russian was once prosecuted for assault. "Why, he called me a German, your Worship," said the defendant, whereupon the judge dismissed the case, holding that such provocation was intelerable. -

This degree of dislike, very surprising when met with in the kindly-hearted Russian peasant, in put down, I believe, to the effect of the operation of unscrupulous German-speaking Jews of It is surprising to what an extent the a low class, but powerful organisation. What Americans have got hold of the trade in truth there is in this charge I cannot Eastern Siberia and Manchuria, although this | tell; but this old prejudice, like many others, is surprise will probably lessen gradually. What like anti-clericalism in France, not an article of will make it lessen will be the disappearance exportation. At least I do not find it in Port

SHARE REPORT.

Messrs, Erich Georg & Co. say in their Weekly Share Lis', dated Hongkong, 31st December, 1903:-

Christmas holidays, as well as the December settlements, have interfered with business, and there is very little change to record to-day except a slump in Indo-Chinas. The sterling demand rate on London is 1s.8 15-16d, while

rates on Shanghai are unchanged. BANK SHARES .- Hongkong and Shangbais bave ruled very quiet, and shares are on offer at \$560; the London rate is £63. Nationals

are wanted at \$314. MARINE INSURANCE SHARES.-A few Unions sold at \$490, and there are further sellers. Other stocks u der this heading unchanged

FIRE INSURANCE SHARES. - Hongkongs remain on offer at \$310. Chinas have been done up to \$923 cash, and \$933 for 28th February, closing with sellers at 892 cash. SHIPPING SHARES .- Hougkong, Canton and

Macao Styamboat Shares have been taken off the market at \$313, but more shares are available. Indo-Chinas, ander the influence of a heavy settlement in the north, where the rate has dropped to Tls. 50 buyers, have been done here at the corresponding figure of \$71; it doubtful whether any more shares could be got at near such a figure. China and Manilas, as well as Douglases, are unchanged and without sales. Star Ferries sold at \$30 for old and \$19 for new shares, and close strong. Shell Transports have sellers at 23/, and buyers at 22/6; it is currently reported that a dividend of one shilling is about to be declared, but in the absence of official information we cannot vouch for the correctness of this report, nor whether the dividend is a final one for 1902, the accounts for which are not yet out, or on account of 1903. REFINERIES .- Chioa Sugars sold at \$104

and have further sellers. I uzons unchanged. MINING SHARES .- Without business. Punjoms can be had at \$14 for ordinaries, and 25 cents for preferences. Raubs are on offer at 87; the "Hongkong Telegraph" of 36th instant, prints the Mining Manager's report for the four weeks ending 5th December, and which, as stated already approximately in our circular of 19th instant, resulted in a yield of 6981 ounces of gold from 2,815 tons of ore crushed.

DOCKS, WHARVES, AND GODOWNS .- Hong-Russian with great fluency. Mr. O'Reilly, who kong and Whampoa Dock Company shares sold

accepted for December settlement, the market closing, however, firmer with sales and buyers at \$206; a sale at \$212 per 31st March is reported. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company Shares remain on offer at \$97, as well as Amoy Dooks at \$38. Farnhams have improved further; considerable sales have been effected from the north at Tis. 118 to Tis. 120, and at latter rate there are further buyers, Shanghai and Hongkew Wharves are in request

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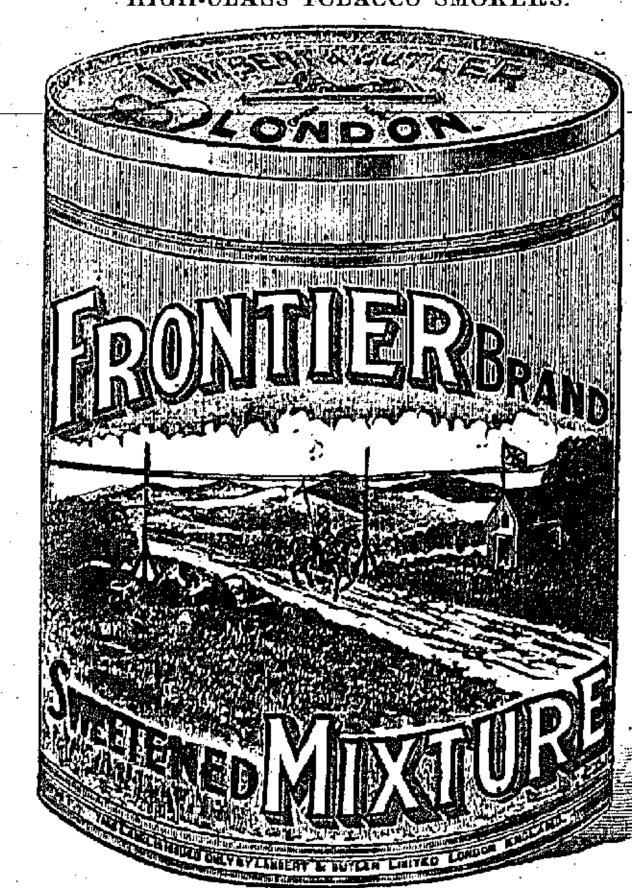
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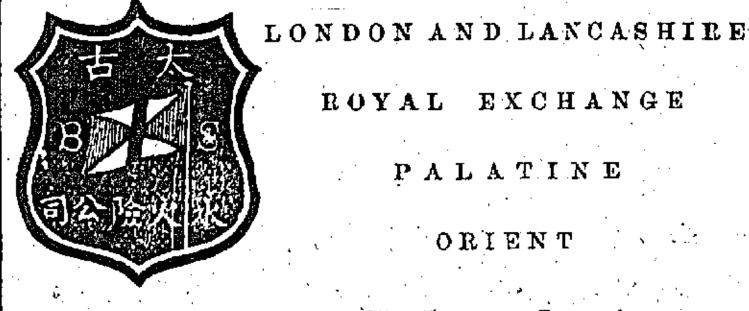
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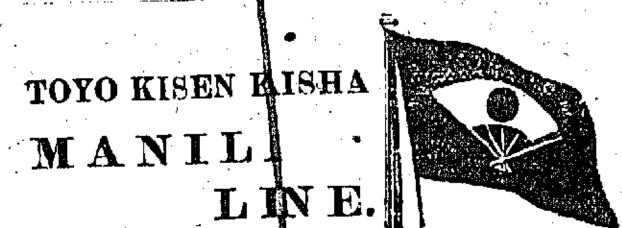
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Hongkong, 4th January 104



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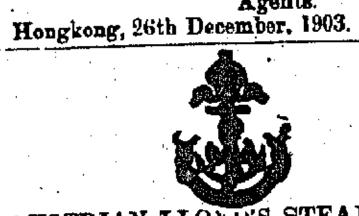
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Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, To-DAY, the 30th inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Mindersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after Wednesday, the 6th January, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges. All claims must be sent in to me on or before

the 6th January, or they will not be recognised. All damaged packages will be examined on Wednesday, the 6th January, at 3 P.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected. G. DE CHAMPEAUX.

Agent. Hongkong, 30th December, 1903. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED,

AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGA. TION COMPANY, LIMITED.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"TYDEUS." are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowleon LAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to Wharf and Godown Co., Ld., where in both cases it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 30th instant. Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice

has been given prior to steamer's arrival. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to examined at 11 A.M., on the 5th prox. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th prox, will be subject to rent.

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Agenta, Hongkong, 29th December, 1903. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED,

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGA-TION COMPANY, LIMITED.

ONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "PYRRHUS,"

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Optional Cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M. on the 4th prox.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered a ter the 4th prox. will be subject to rent. All Claims against the Steamer must be

11th prex., or they will not be recognised. No Fire Insurance has been effected. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Hongkong, 28th December, 1903.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S N. Co.'s Steamer

"PALERMO," FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAÍTS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be lauded here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 1 P.M., TO-DAY, the 31st inst. Goods not cleared by the 6th prox., at 4 P.M.

will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT. Superintendent. Hongkong, 31st December, 1903.

FROM HAMBURG, EMDEN, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

FINE H.A.L. Steamship

"BADENIA." Captain Rörden, having arrived from the above ports, Consiguees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and t take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

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landed into the Godowus of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense, No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th January will be

subject to rent. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where ther will be examined on the 5th January, at 3 P.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE. Houghoug Office. Hongkong, 31st December, 1903. NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

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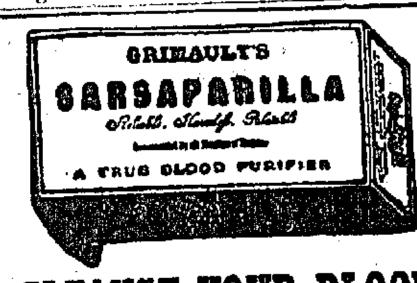
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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA. Hongkong, 30th December, 1903.



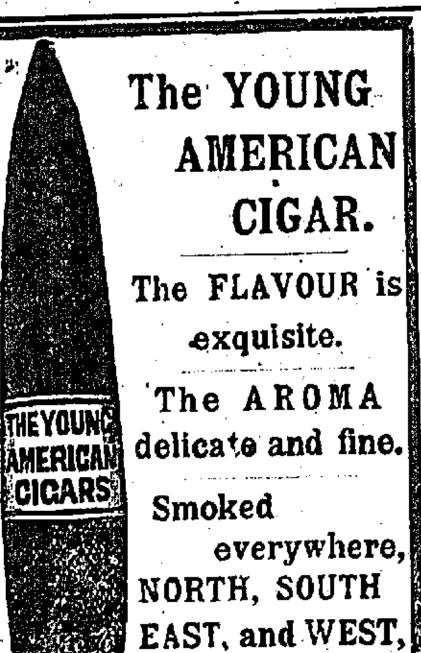
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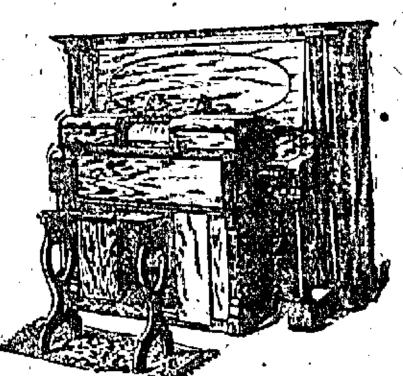
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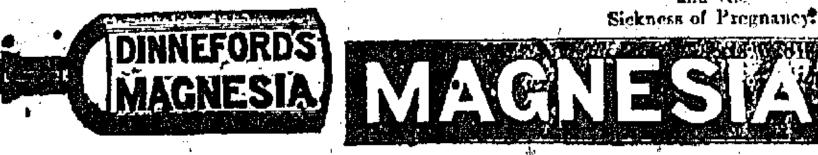
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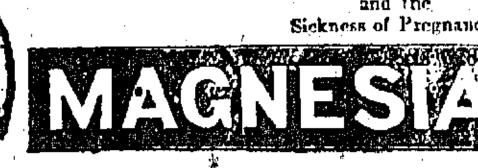
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THE INDIAN MAIL.

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ult., and may be expected here on the 10th inst.

THE AMERICAN MAILS.

for this port, via Honolulu, &c., on the 12th ult.

THE CANADIAN MAIL

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